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<u>Fizz, Boom, Read!</u> <u>Summer Reading to Start June 4th</u>

Kerrville, Texas (May 23, 2014) – Summer is just around the corner and the Butt-Holdsworth Memorial Library is celebrating with their annual Summer Reading Club. The themes this year are "Fizz, Boom Read!" for non-readers and young readers, and "Spark a Reaction" for ages 12 and up. Registration opens June 4, 2014 at the library and concludes on July 29, 2014. Participants who choose to register online can email pat.gordinier@kerrvilletx.gov and include their name, age, school name, and city of residence. Reading logs may be picked up at the library, or downloaded and printed from the library's website at www.bhmlibrary.org. Participants can choose to read eBooks, regular books, or listen to Books on CD to earn their hours toward a certificate and a medal. The library's eBook collection is available at http://bhml.axis360.baker-taylor.com. For information on downloading eBooks, please call 830.258.1274.

Funding for the Butt-Holdsworth Memorial Library summer reading program is provided by the Friends of the Butt-Holdsworth Memorial Library, and all programs are free of charge. Activities include child and teen friendly professional programs at the Cailloux Theater, craft and Lego programs. A special ongoing program this summer will be an interactive Discovery Science Table in the Reference area. The final event of the 2014 reading clubs will be the Awards Pizza Party held at the library on July 30th at 11:30 a.m. Staff

requests that only members of family groups who have read at least six hours attend this event. Children and teens are encouraged to read at least six hours for a certificate, and 30 hours for a certificate and a medal. Reading Certificates are available on request for Daycare Group participants who have read six hours or more.

This summer, professional children's performers offer free entertaining and educational programs. All of these performances are open to family groups, organized groups, and daycares. Performances begin on June 11th with Mr. Puppet. Mr. Puppet's performance will be an outside show, so don't forget to bring your blanket or chair! Dinosaur George follows on June 18th, and Cody Fisher's family fun magic show on June 25th. On July 9th, the library hosts Lucas Miller the Singing Zoologist. Critterman pays a visit on July 16th, and wrapping up the summer program is Jungle Jim's Bugs on July 23rd. All shows are at 10:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. at the Cailloux Theater and are approximately 45 minutes long.

Craft sessions for children and activities for teens are open to family groups only. June crafts include "Design a Puppet" on June 12th, "Create a T-Shirt Bag" (please bring your own t-shirt) on June 19th, and "Catapult Creation" on June 26th. July crafts include "USA Bag Tag" beading project on July 3rd, "Metal Foil" craft on July 10th, "Button Bracelets" on July 17th, and "Decorate a Book Bag" on July 24th. The craft programs are at 10:00 a.m. on Thursdays at the library. Registration is required for each craft, and may be made by calling the Youth Services Librarian at 830.258.1267 the Monday before each craft event.

Lego Club activities will be held at the library on the following Tuesdays at 2:00 p.m.: June 10th, June 24th, July 8th, and July 22nd. These sessions are open to family groups only. Daycare Groups who have registered their participants with the Summer Reading Program may call and schedule a Lego session at the Library.

Two additional event series have been added to the Summer Reading Program. We are very excited to announce that the Read to the Therapy Dog program will return for its second year at the library. Sessions will be held every Thursday in June from 10:00-10:45 a.m. An additional registration form is required to participate in the program, and it may be picked up at the Reference Desk or downloaded from the Library's website. From June 10 – July 22, the library will host a movie afternoon on Tuesdays at 3:30 p.m. in the Teen Room following Lego Club.

For further information about the Summer Reading Club, please contact Pat Gordinier at 830.258.1267 or email pat.gordinier@kerrvilletx.gov. The Summer Reading Club schedule and program details are also available at the library's website http://www.bhmlibrary.org.

For additional information contact Ashlea Boyle, Special Projects Manager at 830.258.1153, via e-mail to ashlea.boyle@kerrvilletx.gov or visit the city's website at www.kerrvilletx.gov.

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